# United States Department of Agriculture

# **Volunteer Wetland Expert for Video Scriptwriting**

Do you have a passion for writing and knowledge about wetlands? Do you enjoy the outdoors and working with people? Become a Volunteer Wetland Video Series Scriptwriter and use your writing skills to document wetland conservation topics for the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS).

## **DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES**

- Work with the State Wetland Compliance Specialist and State Earth Team Coordinator to develop video scripts for various wetland conservation topics. Scripts should be no longer than 1-3 minutes.
- Determine video setting, props and photographs needed to produce video
- · Provide feedback on video editing
- Optional be the official spokesperson for the wetland series by representing NRCS in the video series.

### **KNOWLEDGE/SKILLS DESIRED**

- Have expertise in wetland conservation topics
- Have the ability to develop quality professional-level scripts for federal publications
- Be friendly, polite, respectful, and enjoy working with people
- Be able to work independently
- Be reliable, punctual, and represent NRCS in a professional manner

## **REQUIREMENTS**

- Sign a volunteer agreement form (if under 18, volunteer will require parental consent)
- Work with State Wetland Compliance Specialist to determine accuracy of script content
- Record all hours spent volunteering and report those hours to the volunteer coordinator on a monthly basis
- Optional spokesperson requirements
  - a. Work with State Earth Team Coordinator to schedule time to shoot video
  - b. Wear volunteer shirt or name badge (provided) and carry essential volunteer documents

## **BENEFITS**

- Build your portfolio and strengthen your creative abilities
- Opportunity to work with a friendly, fun, and motivated group of people
- Ability to volunteer on your own time.
- Opportunity to volunteer solely within your county or expand your area to your liking

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

If you are interested in becoming an Earth Team Volunteer Wetland Video Script Writer, please contact Kris Vance, State Earth Team Volunteer Coordinator at: <a href="mailto:kris.vance@in.usda.gov">kris.vance@in.usda.gov</a> or 317-295-5822 for more information.

NOTE: Scripts written while on NRCS time are the property of NRCS. The Natural Resources Conservation Service has final decision as to what portion of products created in the course of the volunteer's tour of duty will be used. Volunteer will be credited for scripts published under NRCS.